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Memorandum

TO: Air Quality Conformity Task Force

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RE: 2013 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) Development

The federally required Transportation Improvement Program, or TIP, is a comprehensive listing of all Bay Area surface transportation projects that are to receive federal funding or are subject to a federally required action, or are considered regionally significant for air quality conformity purposes. The 2011 TIP was adopted by the Commission on October 27, 2010 and approved by the Federal Transit Administration (FTA) and the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) on December 14, 2010. It is valid through December 13, 2014. MTC is required by the State to prepare and adopt an updated TIP every two years. Therefore, it is time to develop a new TIP. The 2013 TIP will cover the four-year period of FY 2012-13 through FY 2015-16.

The 2011 TIP reflects the most recently adopted Regional Transportation Plan (T2035 Plan) and the 2013 TIP will also only include the projects and programs from T2035 Plan.

The 2013 TIP will predominantly include the projects from the 2011 TIP. In addition to the existing projects, sponsors will be allowed to add non-exempt projects or non-exempt project phases (right-of-way phase and construction phase) to the 2013 TIP as long as the total project cost (including those project costs that programmed outside the TIP period), scope, and the analysis year for the project (as was modeled in the latest conformity analysis) are consistent with the T2035 Plan.

Staff will provide the Conformity Task Force a list of the new exempt and non-exempt projects being added to the 2013 TIP at its May meeting. Attached is the tentative 2013 TIP Development Schedule.